

When Knights Were Bold: Kid Kongo and the Rise of American Punk

Kid Kongo is one of the most influential and enigmatic figures in the history of punk rock. He was there at the beginning, playing with the likes of Iggy Pop, David Bowie, and the Ramones. He was a member of the influential band the Cramps, and he has continued to make music for over four decades.



When Knights Were Bold by Kid Kongo

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When Knights Were Bold is the first full-length biography of Kid Kongo, and it is a must-read for fans of punk rock and music history. The book tells the story of Kongo's early life, his involvement in the New York punk scene, and his subsequent career as a musician and songwriter.

Kongo was born in New York City in 1955. He grew up in a musical household, and he began playing guitar at an early age. He was influenced by a wide range of music, including rock, blues, and jazz. In the early

1970s, Kongo became involved in the New York punk scene. He played in a number of bands, including the Dictators and the Ramones.

In 1976, Kongo joined the Cramps. The Cramps were one of the most influential bands in the early punk scene. They were known for their dark, twisted sound and their flamboyant stage shows. Kongo played guitar and sang in the band. He also wrote some of the band's most famous songs, including "Human Fly" and "Bikini Girls with Machine Guns."

The Cramps disbanded in 1980. Kongo continued to make music, both as a solo artist and with other bands. He has released a number of albums, including "Kid Kongo Powers" (1981), "Dream Date" (1985), and "The Kid Kongo Powers Band" (2006).

When Knights Were Bold is a fascinating and insightful look at the life and career of Kid Kongo. The book is full of never-before-seen photos and interviews. It is a must-read for fans of punk rock and music history.

Reviews

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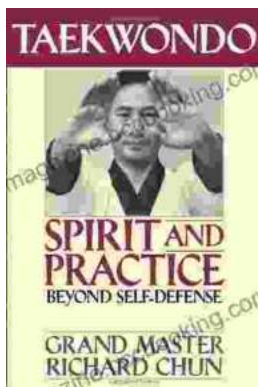
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